

The Ashlink

June July 2026



The Editor's Bit

High summer will have arrived by the time this issue is printed. I am however writing it in mid May and it's blooming cold! There is a bitter North wind draining the heat from the air. Weather wise it seems a pattern may be developing with dry springs and hotter summers whilst the rainfall is utterly unpredictable. Of course it may just be that I am getting old and forgetting that this is in fact a perfectly normal pattern for East Anglia! Either way, school holidays are on the horizon and I hope everyone gets a properly summery summer break.....

Speaking of school holidays, I would love to know what our young people think of our village, its good points and perhaps ways it might be better. Please email me with your thoughts and ideas.

Glen Franklin. Email *glen.ashlink@gmail.com*

Ashill Village History

Interested in the history of our village?

We meet at the Call-In on a Monday morning between 10.00 and 12.00. There is always a warm welcome to visitors to come and explore our files and photographs.

If anyone has any photographs or information to share, please contact us.

Contact: Enid Turner 01760 440419,
or e-mail ashillarchivegroup@gmail.com

**All Parish Council minutes etc can be found online at
<https://ashillparishcouncil.norfolkparishes.gov.uk/> as
well as lots of extra community information**

**The Ashlink is also published online at
<https://www.ashlink.co.uk/>**

What's on at The Call In

Where is The Call In?
The Green, Hale
Road IP25 7AT
Next to the duck
pond



Find out more: Contact
Chair person Dee Bolton
01760 441 622
07926917409
AVA Contact, Ray
Hucklesby 01760 441 514

AVA ARCHIVES GROUP Monday 10.00 - 12.00am

COFFEE MORNINGS TUESDAY and THURSDAY 9.30 - 11.30am

All Welcome Come along, for a Mardle (Chat) and meet New Friends

PHOTOGRAPHIC CLUB Every other Wednesday 7.00-9.00pm, For Details

Contact Ray 07808 922171 Email: Raydee100@googlemail.com

MEMORY CAFE Every Wed of the month from 10.30 - 12.00 plus 12.30 - 2pm on second Wednesday of month Further information telephone 0754 862 6337.

BEETLE DRIVE every other Thursday 2.00 - 4.30pm

LUNCH CLUB Every Friday 12.00 - 1.30

For information regarding the Lunch Club, Contact Denise on 07808 551952

KNIT 'n' STITCH GROUP Friday 2.00 - 4.00pm

BREAKFAST CLUB (All Welcome, No Booking Required)

Saturdays 9.00 – 12.00am Last Orders 11.30am

small breakfast £6.50

Regular £8

Extra Large £10

Friday Luncheon club

If you are on your own, need a cooked meal once a week and would like to socialise with people then contact the **organiser Denise Hucklesby on 01760 441514.**

If you normally attend but are unable to come please let Denise know by Wednesday afternoon.

We are also always looking for volunteers!



Race For Life

I shall be taking part in the race for life at Houghton Hall on th 23rd June 2026. We will be raising money for Cancer Research.

Thanks to progress in cancer prevention, diagnosis and treatment, over a million lives have been saved from cancer in the UK since the mid 1980s.

If you would like to sponsor me just give me a call on 440 150

Thankyou Ann Bunn

SUNDAYS

Coffee & Chat, 9:30am.

Church Service, 10am. Kids and Youth provision.

All welcome to come and worship with us.

Sunday Evenings:

First Sunday of the month, CLOSER, 6pm, an uninterrupted hour of worship with FOL worship bands.

Second Sunday of the month, HIGHER, 6pm, an hour dedicated to praying for our world, nation, & community.

Fourth Sunday of the month, DEEPER, 4pm, a discussion around tables with video and talk.



TUESDAYS

Open Home Group (Bible Study), 1:30pm.

THURSDAYS

Noah's Ark Baby & Toddler Group, 10am. All welcome, just turn up. (Closed during school holidays)

FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH

Kidz Klub, 10am – 12 noon, For junior school age children.

SECOND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

Good Companions, 2:30pm, Afternoon tea & entertainment for our more senior citizens.

St Nicholas Church



Incumbent - Revd Patrick Morrow 01760 330258.

Churchwardens – Wendy Peckham 01760 440952

Margaret Barker 01760 751771

ST NICHOLAS CHURCH

Sunday 7th June 9.30 a.m. Lay Led

Sunday 14th June 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion

Sunday 21st June 9.30 a.m. Lay Led

Sunday 28th June 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion

Sunday 5th July 9.30 a.m. Lay Led

Sunday 12th July 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion

Sunday 19th July 9.30 a.m. Lay Led

Sunday 25th July 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion

CAKE STALL AND TOMBOLA ON THE GREEN

10.00 a.m. SATURDAY 13th JUNE,

In Aid of St Nicholas Church.

Donations of Cakes and tombola prizes gratefully received.

May be left at The Old Smithy, The Green.



In Praise of Singing

Warmest thanks to those who have been in touch about my idea of an “Enquirers’ Group”, for anyone wanting to know more about Christianity and the Church, to help think things through – without any kind of commitment required or implied. My plan is that by the time you read this, I will have replied to you, to make things concrete. But there’s still plenty of time for others to express an interest.

One big question is going to be where to meet. For context, I am now officially Rector of “the Ashill Group”, and that is the churches and parishes of Ashill, Merton, Ovington, and Saham Toney. Of course, I have

in effect been in this role for over a year, but the legal wheels of the Church of England move slowly. It has, though, happened – on April 1st. I'm not going to say anything about the appropriateness of the date!

Now, from bureaucracy to beauty! I am going to muse about the majesty of music. Not for the first time, and probably not for the last, I'd like to encourage singing. In three of our parishes, we are planning Hymns for a Summer's Evening. Whatever your beliefs, do you not remember a hymn or song from school, Sunday school, or a time in your life? Or are you a regular churchgoer who'd just like a chance to say: Can we please sing this one, just because it's my favourite? Or do you want a chance to sing a song you don't actually know? You are all in luck! If you want to gather in an informal way, simply to sing some hymns and reflect on their meaning, you are most welcome to join us. We'll wrap it up with some prayers, but there won't be a sermon, and we are not shaping it as "worship". It is a "Singalong". I'll say it again though: Who sings, prays twice.

Here are the details. On each occasion, it's a Sunday, at 6.30 pm

26 July: St John the Evangelist, Ovington

23 August: St Nicholas', Ashill

6 September: St George's, Saham Toney

Please send your hymn choices to me, at my NEW email address:

frpatrickmorrow@gmail.com

There will also be forms in the three churches.

Patrick Morrow

Today, in my garden was a young female blackbird, as I approached her, I saw to my horror that her leg was caught in a mousetrap. How she got into my garden, I will never know. Her poor little leg was hanging off. I took her to the Golf house Veterinary surgery, who sadly had to put her to sleep.

She could have been in someone's garage, saw a piece of food on the trap obviously not knowing it would take her life.

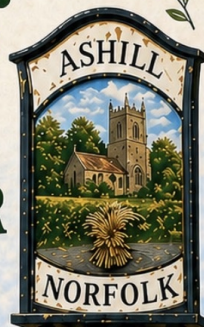
At this time of year, water features, rodent bait and traps are a terrible danger to fledglings.

We all love our beautiful song birds, but at this time of year I guess we have to be extra vigilant. Brenda Foulds

LOVE TO SING?

JOIN ASHILL HARMONY CHOIR

Good company. Beautiful music. Our village.



All voices. All ages. One joyful sound.



WE MEET

Every Thursday
7:00 – 9:00pm
Ashill Village Hall



WE SING

A mix of songs –
from classics to
contemporary
favourites



WE PERFORM

At village events,
seasonal concerts,
and special
occasions



FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:

Sue Cloud
07880 508930





Our ever popular summer village fete is back for another year on **Sunday 6th September 2026, 11am - 4pm** so save the date!

We're trying to bring more to the event this year so be sure to save the date and support a great day raising funds for the community centre.

If you are interested in having a stall, volunteering for a couple of hours, have any suggestions, raffle or tombola items you'd like to donate - please get in contact with Megan Colley either via Facebook, email: megancolley96@hotmail.com or on 07724849225 (messages or leave a voicemail)

Look forward to seeing you all there!

Megan

Ashill Community Gardens

The committee would like to thank the Parish Council for their continued support of the Community Gardens.

This year Fabian Eagle (local councillor) generously offered to donate all the flowers for the barrels. Additionally, John Leggett (local gardener) volunteered to sponsor the Dunnetts Close barrel, supplying both the flowers and compost. They also agreed to purchase four 50L bags of compost for the other barrels. As well as these donations and sponsorships, the Parish Council awarded us a grant of £20.

Also a donation has been made by a new local villager.

As I write the barrels are being cleared of the bulbs ready for the spring planting so by the time you read this the new planting should have been carried out.

We rely solely on volunteers to plant up and maintain the barrels. Do you live near to one of the barrels? Would you like to volunteer to water the plants through the summer in dry weather? If yes please contact Sue Cloud on 07880 508930 or Ruth Day on 07410933957

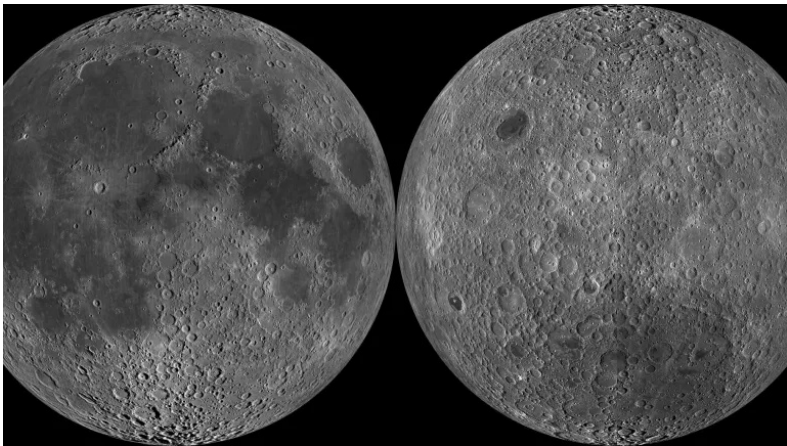
The Moon

With the recent news of the Artemis mission to fly around the Moon, this would be a suitable moment to do something about our nearest neighbour. The favoured theory for the creation of the Moon is called the Giant Impact hypothesis. There are other theories like the capture of the Moon, but this is the favoured one.

In the period after the creation of the solar system a planet about the size of Mars, often given the name of Theia, was in collision with the Earth. This created a large debris field orbiting the Earth as a ring, with a large amount of matter being lost into space. This ring eventually gradually formed a spherical body orbiting the Earth.

Near Side

Far Side



The Moon and Earth were molten bodies at first, and started very close together. The Moon self evidently looked very much larger in the sky but has been getting further away by around 1 cm a year. Thus now the Moon and Sun appear the same size and we have in our era the spectacular total eclipses of the Sun by the Moon.

(On this subject there is a partial eclipse of the Sun on the 12th August, it will be 90% at 7.15pm. It is fairly low on the horizon just before sunset.)

The Earth/Moon system is unique in the solar system, and probably rare in the universe. This is because the Moon is so large for a satellite. This gives us our tides and keeps the orientation of the Earth stable. Both these things have made the evolution of life here much more possible

The two faces of the Moon are different. Our familiar face has dark smooth areas, called maria, the latin word for sea. These areas are solidified lava flows that the ancients thought were seas of water.

The far side looks more battered, with only 1% of maria compared with 31.2% on the near side. The idea that the Earth shielded the near side from the meteor strikes that form the craters is not true, both sides have received the same number of impacts but the lava in the maria have covered much more on the near side. The maria were molten longer on the near side as it was facing a molten Earth at that time. The far side cooled as it was facing outer space.

The Apollo missions of the 60s and 70s were the last time we landed on the Moon. The Artemis missions will land on the Moon and eventually establish a base there. The next one will practise manoeuvres of the landing modules in Earth orbit and Artemis IV will be first one to land in 2028.

It is satisfying to remember that Artemis was the sister of Apollo in Greek mythology.

Albert Day

The Flag on the Green

The Trustees of the Ashill Welfare Charity are grateful for the discussion that has begun about the flag on the Green.

As a charity, we need to distinguish between two issues:
the case for this flag (the current one);
the case for a flag (any flag) on the Green.

We cannot see that there is a case for this flag. It was put up without any request for permission, any discussion at all, anyone taking responsibility for it. All the safety risks associated with this flag do rest with the Trustees,

and that is actually not something we can give away, even if we wanted to. And, again, if we are proud to be British (nothing wrong with that), then let us remember the British value of respect for the rule of law.

Many of the arguments for a flag are strong. The Trustees have never said we are against any flag because it might offend some people. That would be an untrue caricature of our position. We are open to a longer discussion about what flag there might be, through due process. We will work with others to seek to have wider discussions.

If you wish to comment on the way to go, please do email the dedicated email address: awsgoosesgreen@gmail.com

See Page 27 for the resolution of this issue

Mr Richard Leighton
Chairman
Ashill Welfare Charity

St. John Ambulance Youth

We hold weekly sessions in The Upton Room of Community Centre:



from 5:30pm to 6:45pm for our Badgers aged between 5 and 10 years old and from 7pm to 8:15pm for our Cadets aged between 10 and 18 years old.

If your child is interested in learning First Aid and having fun then please go onto the St. John Ambulance Youth joining website <https://youthjoining.sja.org.uk>

We do have a waiting list which is on a first come - first served basis, so please get your application in asap.

Jean Rockett-Woods
Youth Leader
Ashill

Ashill, Holme Hale & District Garden Club

Website: <http://ashillgardeningclub.wordpress.com/>

Email: ashillholmehalegardenclub@gmail.com

Growing Pelargoniums



On a sunny April afternoon members attended a presentation by Luci Skinner on all things Pelargoniums. Luci is a horticulturist who runs her own plant advisory service and specialises in pelargoniums. Luci currently holds an RHS national collection of Pelargoniums, many of which she brought along for members to view and inspect during the tea break.

Luci started her presentation by discussing what is a pelargonium. Pelargoniums are a genus of about 280 species of tender, evergreen perennials, often incorrectly labelled 'geraniums' in garden centres to this day. A frost tender perennial plant (will survive down to -5°C) that can last well over 5 years with a good care regime. They originate from South Africa and are long flowering, drought tolerant plants that belong to the geraniaceae family, closely related to hardy geraniums.

Pelargoniums can be identified by having 2 upper petals and 3 lower petals, often featuring markings, with 7 stamens. The confusion in the naming of pelargoniums and geraniums stems from the great Swedish biologist Carl Linnaeus, who proposed the modern system of naming plants, and as such is known as the father of taxonomy. Despite indications to the contrary Linnaeus insisted



that these plants from South Africa were the same as 'Geraniums' and placed both species under the same name. It was not until 30 years in 1789 that pelargoniums were shown to be a different genera to geranium. Geraniums have 5 equal petals, 10 stamens and die back in winter.

Luci then covered the different species of pelargoniums with a diverse range of leaf shapes, including planate and kidney shaped. Some species are tuberous and others have succulent stems or knobbly stems. Some of the benefits of growing pelargoniums in your garden are that they are long-flowering, scented, drought tolerant, long lived, insect repellent and some have medicinal or culinary properties. The downsides include their frost tender nature, care with watering (need to stay dry in winter) as prone to fungal disease. Luci completed her presentation by detailing how to care for these lovely plants on a month by month basis throughout the calendar year. The meeting closed with a Q&A and members eagerly purchasing some of the pelargoniums Luci brought for sale.

Upcoming Garden Club Events

Our May meeting (28th) will have a presentation by bee-keeper and gardener Lynda Hunt on 'Bee-friendly gardening'. Our June meeting (25th) has Andrew Sankey talking about 'Joseph Banks, Kew and the Plant Hunters'. The Club's Annual Flower Show will be held on Sunday June 28th and is open to the general public from 2pm.

All meetings are held at Holme Hale Pavilion and start at 2.30pm. New members from anywhere in the district are always welcome, so come along and improve your gardening knowledge, while enjoying a welcoming environment with like minded colleagues.

Neville McBrien

Useful contacts

Parish Clerk, Jean Sangster : 01760 440383 (only between 9:00am – 5:00pm Mon-Fri)

Chairman Alan Ketteringham: Mobile: 07733 420588

David Smith has worked for thirty years in the courier business. This is his light hearted take on the progress of a parcel from selection to delivery! Ed

Tale of a parcel

Your finger's hovering over the pay now button in your basket, click. It's yours! Ever wondered how it gets to you? Join your parcel now on its journey...

I'm sitting here on the shelf with all my fellow parcels, and Tom the picker selects me... I'm off to my new forever home. Label attached/ Barcode/ QR code/ Consignment number, I'm off to Mr G. Franklin, Ashill. How brilliant, I hear it is a lovely, friendly community.

Hello, I'm now in the grey bag with loads of others off to the nearest sorting hub. A van drive later I'm at the large sorting hub, out the bag and onto the sorting conveyor, click I'm scanned, they know I'm here- no hiding place for me! Down the chute for my next stage of my journey to Ashill. Back into a bag/ cage and we're going, yahoo finally off to a new home!

After a fantastic evening, I'm here at Watton Post Office. Out the bag, click, scanned again, now everyone knows I'm here at least. Looks like I'm in the IP25 postcode bag- wonder if I'm going to get a ride in that nice, little red van with "Andy" the Postie?

Yes, "Andy's" working this week. Another drive into the countryside and here we are in Ashill. Deary me, everyone else is moving out... at least I've got some elbow room, and I didn't like the way that padded jiffy bag was looking at me!



Finally, I have arrived at my now owner's home. Scanned again, signature done, and hurray I'm home! 24 hours after that first click, I'm the other side of the country- amazing really!

If you've enjoyed this article, next month we may journey with a delivery driver from 5.00-6.00am start to 5.00pm finish.

David Smith

A view from Green Farm

So we move into May, a month that is seen by some as the time of year the weather starts to become a bit more spring like with slightly warmer days and sunny pleasant evenings where we can sit out in the garden and take in the sights and sounds of nature all around us. After giving it some thought I decided after a period of weather that's been unseasonably warm at times in April, to make the switch to shorts for work and to clean the bbq down ready for it earning it's keep, and this has caused a downturn in temperatures that would have a polar bear considering it's thermals!

It always amazes me how quickly the level of saturation in the ground can change, it's only a matter of weeks ago that we were worrying about finding the rogue wet spot and sinking out of sight, and now we've fully flipped round to being desperate for some rain. Things are looking very stressed, quite pale in places and are really struggling to get going, and for once I'm not talking about the people working the land! Fertiliser applied in late March or April still sits where it landed and with the current global situation causing fertiliser prices to spike, the last dose that would normally go on around the time of this going to press will likely stay in the bag if we don't get meaningful rainfall.

All of this aside, farming is one of the few jobs that is more a tradition than a job, the office you have the privilege to work in is beautiful and far reaching, the sense of pride you get when things go right is immeasurable and the constant battle with nature is almost an addiction.

We are now at the crossroads where in 5-10 years we will see major change in this industry, in my opinion, and as much as the local farmers can get things wrong and be an enemy of the people, when it's changed forever and it's in the hands of massive commercial estates it will be far far worse.

Ashley Howell
Green Farm

Swaffham & District u3a

Our AGM was held on 7th May 2026. Having circulated all the relevant reports to members before the meeting, the AGM was not a prolonged affair although it covered all the necessary legal requirements. As there were no new applicants for the committee, the present serving members were re-elected. Members were urged to consider coming onto the committee to help with the workload.

This was followed by a presentation and talk on the work of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission. They care for 23,000 war memorials and war cemeteries around the world commemorating 1.7 million Commonwealth casualties. The Commemoration team maintains the casualty database required to commemorate each casualty correctly and work with other agencies to identify the last resting place of those originally listed as 'missing'.

In June, Barbara Meyer will give us an overview on her conservation work in Africa with the Big Cats Conservation programme and how her photography is aimed at raising awareness of the threats to these and also British wildlife.

The work of the Purfleet Trust with the homeless in Kings Lynn is highlighted in our talk in July. It is not only accommodation that the homeless need, but also access to so many support services and this is covered by the work of the Trust.

Anyone is welcome to join the u3a. The only criterion to join is that you are no longer in full-time employment and have the time to take part in the activities on offer. We meet at Holme Hale Village Hall on the first Thursday of each month. Doors open at 9.45am for socialising and the meeting starts promptly at 10.30am finishing by 12 noon. Further details on all the activities covered by Swaffham & District u3a are available on our website: [***https://swaffham.u3asite.uk/***](https://swaffham.u3asite.uk/)

Pam Ratty

ASHILL PARISH COUNCIL

In order to reduce the amount of space taken by these notes, the following abbreviations will be used. Mr A Ketteringham (AK) Chair, Mr R Leighton (RL) Vice-Chair, Mrs A Binns (AB), Mr A Howell (AH), Mr K Kissiedu (KK), Mr J Leggett(JLg), Mrs J Lusher (JL), Mrs A Shepherd (AS), Mr A Thomas (AT), Councillors, Mr F Eagle (FE) District and County Councillor.

A meeting was held on Tuesday 24th March 2026 in the Community Centre at 7.00pm.

The Chair welcomed all. In attendance: (AK) Chair, (RL) Vice-Chair, (AB) (KK),(JLg), (JL), (AT), the Clerk Jean Sangster, 10 Members of Public & (FE) District/County Councillor. Apologies for absence were received from (AH), due to work commitments. (AS), due to holiday. Declaration of Interests – there were none. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 24.02.26 had been circulated and were passed as a correct record, agreed by all and signed.

Report from County/District Councillor – Fabian Eagle This was given later.

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Bottle Banks – resident asked if these had all been changed to take both coloured and clear glass as originally these were split. Confirmed that bottles to placed in any of these.

Bus Shelter for opposite School – resident advised that grants are available from NCC and this will be looked into.

Drains in Watton Road and Cressingham Road that are blocked will be reported to Highways.

Missing sign in Watton Road to be reported.

There followed a lengthy complaint from resident regarding the request made by Trustees to remove the flagpole and flag from the Green. He felt that this should be put to the village but Chair of Trustees advised that this had been erected without permission and by persons unknown so all Trustees felt it should be removed. AK pointed out that this was not a matter for Parish Council and at this point the gentleman left advising that he will take this further.

Matters arising from last meeting

Highways – Update on matters reported – o/s 11 Dunnetts Close has been dealt with although further holes appeared in vicinity and o/s 35 Acacia does not meet intervention.

Adjustment has been made to sum required from Parish for Partnership Scheme for kerb as FE has contributed from his fund.

To be reported – Common Road potholes, Crossroads in Sth. Pickenham - water standing.

Highways do not recommend the suggestion for mesh on drains to save ducklings. Play Equipment –Checked. Gate spring now in place and corner of ‘dome’ repaired. Equipment to be cleaned in May.

Quotes had been received for replacing the old swings but rather expensive and agreed to wait until after annual inspection by ROSPA regarding the condition of present ones.

Thanks were expressed to Parishioner who has purchased new nets for basketball hoops and these will be installed.

Playing Field – Football. Shipdham Football Club has advised that there is new Chairman. Clerk to contact Secretary and invite to attend Annual Parish Meeting.

Community Centre – Report from AB. Fete confirmed as 6th September.

New floor to be laid in kitchen and small hall on 13th -15th April so Centre closed. The Annual Meeting it will now be held in large hall.

Comm. Centre AGM to be held on 8th April. AB was proposed by JL seconded by JLg to be representative from Parish Council to stand on their Committee. Agreed. A request for Dog Show at Fete had been received and this was granted by 6 votes to 1

Footpaths – Crossings Rails. Still no news.

Police – Next SNAP Meeting is to be held on 20th April 2026 at Narborough at 7.00pm. AK to attend with JL joining online.

Speedwatch – The Clerk has reported the VAS in Hale Road and is waiting to hear back from Westcotec.

High Grove Solar Farm – Mr George Freeman is organising a meeting with MP's and villages concerned. Date and venue to be confirmed.

LGR-Devolution – No further news.

Local Plan – Call for Sites – Nothing further from Breckland but CPRE request support and info from CAN regarding the changes that Government hope to introduce in Planning Regulations.

.gov.uk email addresses – Thanks expressed to KK for his assistance.

Seat for Bus Shelter –This is now in place.

At this point FE arrived and gave his report. He advised that the County Council Elections are to be held on 7th May and hopes that he can continue as our representative.

He was thanked for all the help he has given Ashill especially from his C.C, Fund to assist with projects in the Parish and his attendance at our meetings has been much appreciated.

He hopes that with the current situation with cost of fuel that the Trustees will consider helping families who struggle to pay for heating oil.

He said that there should be information in next few days regarding the proposed Unitary Authorities.

Street Lighting – The Clerk has contacted K & M Lighting regarding the installation of a light for over car park at Comm. Centre but no reply as yet.

Allotments – All plots have now been let with 2 people on waiting list. Plot 19 was let free of charge due to the state of this.

Dog Waste Bins – After discussion it was proposed by AK seconded by JL that one dog bin be placed on Acacia Avenue but not to place one on The Limes. This was agreed.

Tree Inspection – This is to cover trees on Trustee's Land, The Church and Parish Council land. AK has received a quote for all this work to be split between the 3 responsible organisations. It was proposed by RL seconded by JL that he should

get this organised.

Pickleball – The group has again requested permission to mark out courts on the MUGA and it was proposed by RL seconded by JLg that quotes be obtained.

CORRESPONDENCE

NorfolkALC and Healthwatch Norfolk - Newsletters circulated.

Power for People – Update on campaign for local community-run energy schemes. Agreed to support.

A.G.A. – Company offering ways to improve land and water habitats- passed to Trustees.

Letter from Mr Simpson tendering his resignation as Tree Warden. Thanks expressed for all his work and it was agreed not to appoint a replacement.

Letter received from resident of Orchard Close regarding the state of path in Swaffham Road from Cress. Road to Glebe entrance especially the ramps at either end. This will be reported to Highways.

PLANNING

Discussed – PL/2026/0338/FMIN for The Old Hall Cress. Rd. Proposed demolition of existing main dwelling and erection of new self-build two storey dwelling with dormer accommodation in roof on same site. This was returned with no objections.

Appeal Notice of Decision for PL/2025/1220/FMIN Lower Homestead Farm Watton Rd. – Dismissed.

FINANCE (a) Accounts

The Accounts Due for MARCH were agreed for payment proposed by JL seconded by AB :-

Current account and bank statements had been circulated and were agreed.

Cubs had still not paid their Invoices.

Investments – Clerk reported the problems that had occurred with Nationwide B.S. had now been resolved and account was now up and running again. Agreed to continue investment in April.

Insurance Review – As agreed it was returned with an increase of £500-00 to include new street furniture.

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Resident asked why the tennis court could not be used for Pickleball rather than MUGA and it was felt that tennis court will be used much more and could cause problems but this will all be monitored.

It was reported that there is still a tree down in the copse at top of playing field and this will be dealt with.

Dissolution Policy – Trustees. Request for confirmation that should the Charity cease to function, the Parish Council would take over this responsibility with same conditions, was given.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

AT advised that he had replied to the tree donators for their inspection.

AB confirmed that Both defibrillators are in working order. JLg to get Post Codes in place.

JL advised that she had heard that the 1st Ashill Scout group is closing.
Date for ANNUAL PARISH MEETING – This is to be held on Tuesday 14th April 2026 at 7.00pm in Comm. Centre.

NEXT MEETING IS TO BE HELD ON 28th APRIL 2026 IN THE COMMUNITY CENTRE AT 7.00PM

EXCLUSION OF PRESS & PUBLIC

The following resolution was proposed and passed :- “That under Section 100(A) (4) of Local Government Act 1972, the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on grounds that it includes the likely disclosure of confidential information”.

To Discuss Pay Increase for Employees.

Meeting Closed at 9.00pm

The Annual Parish Meeting for the Parish of Ashill was held on Tuesday 14th APRIL 2026 at 7.00pm in the Community Centre.

Mr A Ketteringham was in the Chair with 8 members of the Council, the Clerk Jean Sangster, 15 members of the public & District/County Councillor Mr F Eagle in attendance. Apologies for absence were received from Mr T Hinds, Mr K Collins, PC Justin Johnson & Adam Binns Chair Shipdham FC.

The minutes of the last Annual Parish Meeting held on 15th April 2025 were taken as read, passed and signed as a correct record.

MATTERS ARISING

HIGHWAYS – Mr Ketteringham reported on various matters that had been raised by Parish Council in particular the successful bid for the kerb and footway to be installed opposite the entrance to Comm. Centre. Mr Eagle has added money from his Councillor fund and this means the Parish will only have to find approx. £8000 towards this scheme and he was thanked for his contribution. AK reported on the work that has been carried out to drains being jetted, potholes filled and the TROD to receive remedial work. There had been a problem with tree in Church Street and it was stressed that all trees in Ch. St and Watton Rd backing onto the Woodlands are the responsibility of residents and not Parish Council nor Highways.
PLAY EQUIPMENT – Monthly Inspections are still carried out by Councillors. Minor repairs are usually carried out by volunteers and it is intended to have Clean-Up day in May. The new Zip-Wire is proving to be a very successful addition and it is intended to either re-surface under old swings or have these replaced following ROSPA Inspection in July.

SPEEDWATCH SCHEME – Mr Street has continued as co-ordinator and reported that sessions will restart following illness. The sites used are being re-assessed and the ruling on displaying signage of session in action has been changed. Details of all recorded activity is attached.

He also said that he is now in charge of 'SLOW DOWN' sign and this is moved around at regular intervals. At present time there is a problem with obtaining data from SAM2 and he will ask suppliers for assistance. Mr Ketteringham thanked him and his team for their continued hard work.

COMMUNITY CENTRE – In the absence of Mr Collins his report was read out as follows:

Really positive year with Bingo Nights raising approx. £4400 and Summer Fete £1979 and Christmas Concert and Craft Fair were well supported. There are plans to improve the kitchen and new flooring is about to be installed and also in small hall.

The Fete and Dog Show arrangements are under way and the regular monthly Coffee Mornings continue. Mr Collins expressed his thanks to his committee and the public for their continued support.

RECYCLING BANKS AT COMMUNITY CENTRE – Revenue increased from £616.96 to £710.92 so this is being well used. However there has been several incidents of 'fly-tipping' near the banks which has meant that PC have to clear this away as Breckland will not take this as on Parish Land. This is being monitored.

FOOTPATHS – Report from Warden that all in good condition and all way-markers and signs are in place. Still awaiting the handrails. Thanks, expressed to Mr Thomas.

ALLOTMENTS – All plots have now been let and there are 2 people on waiting list. The Council continues to search for an alternative site.

ASHILL ESTATE – Also presented later.

ASHLINK – Mr Glen Franklin presented his report and accounts for last year. There is now an assistant Editor and he hopes that more youngsters will give their views. They had held a special evening on the history of Ashill which helped their finances as Ashlink is run by voluntary donations. The Chair thanked Mr Franklin and his team.

SHIPDHAM FOOTBALL TEAM – Shipdham Football Club has been playing at Ashill now for past year and under 15's has just been taken over by Mr Adam Binns and it is hoped that a meeting will be held shortly to discuss their future plans and to encourage youngsters from Ashill to join the Club.

GAS MAIN – There has been no further update on this matter.

CORRESPONDENCE

Two items – One from Breckland Mindful Towns which is free to attend re Pet loss & grief workshop at Swaffham Town Council and the other from Breckland re Health & Wellbeing Grant which is available to eligible groups or organisations to help set up new activities or support existing. These will be passed to other organisations in the village.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT – Mr Ketteringham gave his report on behalf of the Council. He stated that he believes this Council does it's best for the residents of Ashill and each Councillor has something to bring, either by attending outside meetings, manual work to Parish properties or assisting with computer work and he thanked them all for the time they give up.

Future projects lined up are to commission a survey of all trees on Parish Land in conjunction with Trustees and Church, the installation of a dropped kerb and footway for access to Community Centre which has received money from the Highways Partnership Scheme assisted by Mr Eagle.

Other matters are the slow roll out of Local Plan which seems to have consultation

after consultation but hopefully this will be in place in 2027.

The Solar Farm projects for this area could go on for another 6 years as dependent on connection to Grid. He thanked Mr & Mrs Racher and the HOG group for their persistent work and Mr M Aitkin for his tireless work for all 16 Parishes that could be affected.

Major changes are ahead for Local Government and County Council Elections are on 7th May and he thanked Mr Eagle for all his hard work over last few years. He then thanked the Clerk for keeping the Council on track. He said you only have to read in the newspapers how other Councils fall foul of the rules and he felt proud to be chair of Ashill Parish Council.

He went on to thank all those people who give their time to the village and help with clearing litter, repairs and come forward to help when needed.

REPORT FROM DISTRICT/COUNTY COUNCILLOR – Mr Eagle stated that he had obtained funding for Norfolk Businesses and Suffolk County Council are paying Norfolk to run their High Street Matters and this year there will be funding for Norfolk Pubs Matters supporting them and the Hospitality sector. There will also be money to help young people and Veterans to start their own business. He has managed to secure funding for various other schemes within Highways and his full report is held on file. The Chair expressed thanks from whole village on his commitment to his Parishes.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SCHEME - This is now considered to be no longer viable and Clerk had expressed thanks to Mr Hinds for his years of dedication.

REPORT FROM POLICE – Unable to attend but PC Justin Johnson had sent in his report reminding of SNAP meetings which Councillors and public can attend.

These are held four times a year and provide an update on Police priorities and can also be joined online. The next meeting is on 20th April at Narborough. He had also given details on how to contact Police if not an emergency stating that best way is online and these details will be displayed.

TRUSTEES REPORT - Mr Leighton as Chair of Trustees presented his report stating that they had met regularly throughout the year. 2 grants had been successfully applied for, one to replace gates on Common and the other to dredge the village pond which so far has not been able to be carried out but is in hand. To obtain these grants had meant redrawing parts of their Constitution which has been carried out with Parish Council regarding a Dissolution Policy.

The Common remains in a Countryside Stewardship but with ever decreasing returns.

The only controversial matter is the sudden appearance of a flagpole on the village Green without permission and this seems to have divided the village and the Trustees are debating what to do next. Reverend Patrick Morrow will be putting contact details on face-book for people to express their views.

Finally, he thanked his fellow Trustees for their continued support and special thanks to Mrs Seager the Clerk for all her dedicated work for the Charity.

THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE ASHILL WELFARE CHARITY TRUSTEES for year ending 31st

March 2026 were then presented by Mrs Seager showing a balance of £38529-13 noting that these are yet to be audited. These were adopted proposed by Mrs D Rix seconded by Mr J Leggett.

THE ACCOUNTS FOR ASHILL PARISH COUNCIL for year ending 31st March 2026 were presented by the Clerk/Financial Officer Jean Sangster showing a balance of £357993-47 noting that these accounts had not yet been audited. These Accounts were then adopted proposed by Rev Morrow seconded by Mrs D Bolton.

LGR & DEVOLUTION - Government has now made the decision that Norfolk should be split into 3 Unitary Authorities with Elections taking place in 2027 and change over on 1st April 2028.

SOLAR ACTION GROUP - This was reported in Chair's report.

REPLACEMENT ALLOTMENT SITE - Mr Ketteringham explained this had been brought to a halt until details of Local Plan are in place as no land is available to move plots onto at present time.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There were no further matters to discuss. All reports are held on file.

This concluded the business of the evening and Mr Ketteringham thanked everyone for their support and attendance and closed the meeting at 8.40pm

A meeting was held on Tuesday 28th April 2026 in the Community Centre at 7.00pm.

In attendance: (AK) Chair, (RL) Vice-Chair, (AB) (AH), (KK), (JLg), (JL), (AS), (AT), the Clerk Jean Sangster, 19 Members of Public & Mr F Eagle (FE) District/County Councillor. Declaration of Interests – AH declared interest in Local Plan
The Minutes of the Meeting held on 24.03.26 had been circulated and were passed as a correct record, agreed by all and signed.

OPEN TO PUBLIC

Resident presented views collected regarding the flagpole and flag erected without permission on The Green. As The Green is the responsibility of Trustees there had been a contact email address provided on Notice Board and on Face-Book for residents to express their views or they were advised to write to the Clerk of Trustees and the Chair of Trustees explained that this matter will be discussed at that their next meeting on 19th May. There were many comments made by the gentleman who attended the March meeting regarding the Trustees as he felt that he should be able to attend their meeting, but as all meetings of the Trustees are not open to Public this is not possible but he requested that result of their decision be published. A vote on the flagpole and flag remaining on Green was taken by public present resulting in 18 voting for this to stay.

AK at this point explained that this is a Parish Council meeting and all these matters should have been brought to the Annual Parish Meeting where all village problems can be aired so he called a halt on any further discussion.

Residents of Dunnetts Close expressed their concerns regarding the Planning Application for dwelling to be sited in back garden of 18 Dunnetts Close. Their objections were noted and discussed by Councillors later in meeting.

There are still concerns raised regarding the Hale Road development and enforcement.

Resident advised that remedial work is needed to Lych Gate Memorial. Representatives of Ashill Community Garden Club asked if they could have a donation towards planting the 8 barrels in the village. After much discussion and various donations from Councillors a figure was agreed to be confirmed later and they were advised that if they should require new barrels in the future to let Parish Council know.

Report from County/District Councillor – Fabian Eagle. He reported on recent meeting with MPs from area regarding the proposed Solar Farms. He explained that NCC were doing all they could to ensure that vehicular access does not cause disruption to local Parishes if these go ahead. He felt that he had ensured that potholes were dealt with and surface dressing is about to commence and he was questioned if RWE would give Bond Money for the future upkeep of the roads in the vicinity and this is something to consider.

He advised that as from 30th September 2026 Councillors will be unable to call-in planning applications for discussion by Committee and these will be decided by Officers. He stressed that he feels that all enforcement and conditions made on applications should be adhered to and asked that everyone votes at the County Council Elections on 7th May.

Matters arising from last meeting

Highways – All matters reported are being dealt with and pothole outside 11 Dunnetts Close will be reported again. The name plate for Watton Road is being dealt with by Breckland Council.

Play Equipment – Checked and much the same as last month. Equipment to be cleaned on Sunday 10th May. It is hoped that old goal posts will be cut down below ground level and scrapped. AB reported that zip-wire is now running very low and as installers advised they would check and adjust this for free on first occasion, the Clerk will contact them.

Pickleball markings – still to be dealt with.

Playing Field – Clerk had received request for contact of mole catcher but to advise that he is already committed to so much work he could not help.

Football – Clerk advised that meeting with new Chair has been arranged for Mon. 18th May in Upton Room at 7.00pm. It is hoped that Councillors and members of Comm. Centre Committee will attend.

Community Centre – Report from AB. Fete confirmed as 6th September.

New floor has been laid in kitchen and small hall and quotes obtained for large hall heating problem is being dealt with. The Easter Bingo was very successful and another proposed for summer. AK said he was very disappointed that only 2 members of the public attended their AGM and hoped that there could be much more interest from within the Parish.

Footpaths – Crossings Rails. Still no news.

Police –SNAP Meeting held on 20th April 2026 at Narborough at 7.00pm was attended by AK with JL on-line. Next SNAP meeting is on July 9th at Necton.

Speedwatch – The Clerk has reported the VAS in Hale Road and is waiting to hear back from Westcotec and also re SAM2 problems with transferring data.

High Grove Solar Farm – The meeting with Mr George Freeman and MP's and villages concerned was very well attended and several matters were raised – grazing under panels, fire prevention, traffic and timescale if given go ahead by Government but this is dependent on National Grid connection. However there is growing opposition in Government to this large-scale intrusion on Norfolk.

LGR-Devolution – Information received. Elections for new Unitary Councils will take place in May 2027 with District Councils closing in March 2028 and new councils taking over on 1st April 2028.

Local Plan – Call for Sites – Information from Simon Wood that documents for Regulation 19 should go before Cabinet in July and will then go out for consultation and this will then be submitted for examination.

.gov.uk email addresses –KK advised that he is looking at making it easier to find things. Clerk requested further assistance with emails as had problems with out of office not notifying holiday.

Lighting –No reply as yet from K & M Lighting for light over car park at Comm. Centre but AK had also received a request from Parishioner for 2 charging points for electric cars and this will be investigated further.

Dog Waste Bins – Following from last month the Clerk had contacted Breckland regarding permission only to be informed that as this is to be sited on Parish Council land there would be an annual charge for emptying of £259-32 so further discussion followed and agreed that Members look at entrance to Acacia Avenue as possible site.

Fly-Tipping at Comm. Centre problem and Textile Banks full. Advised that there are no longer the facilities for textiles at Recycling Centre and this to be confirmed. Request for further bin at Comm. Centre and ensure that CCTV is active on Councillor's phone.

Ashlink – Following report at Annual Meeting concerns were expressed that the reports that PC submit are being cut down and important facts being missed. Councillors felt that JL should continue and Clerk will impress on assistant editor that these reports should not be changed.

Closure of 1st Ashill Scouts – Unable to make contact with former leader or treasurer but need to know if they are in financial difficulty as invoices still unpaid and container needs to be cleared.

Tree Inspection – Cost of £650-00 to be shared between Trustees, Church and PC and will take place on 1st May.

CORRESPONDENCE

NorfolkALC and Healthwatch Norfolk - Newsletters circulated.

NorfolkALC AGM – 14th May at Gt. Massingham 10.00am. AK to attend.

British Gas – Clerk had returned completed form for confirmation of gas line on PC land.

PLANNING

PL/2026/0338/FMIN for The Old Hall Cress. Rd. Proposed demolition of existing main dwelling and erection of new self-build two storey dwelling with dormer

accommodation in roof on same site has been granted with conditions but information received that sheds are being erected on ground to rear as permitted development will be investigated.

PL/2026/0479/FMIN – 18 Dunnetts Close for erection of single dwelling to rear of existing house with cycle storage and parking space with new vehicular access was discussed. All Members objected strongly to this application and Clerk to return to Planners with following concerns :-

Details incorrect, construction traffic and parking on corner of busy access road opposite bungalows that often have to have emergency visits, limit of 25 houses imposed on area when Old Allotment Close was granted, windows overlooking adjacent properties.

Regarding Enforcement – Clerk to write to Simon Wood, Sam Chapman-Allen and FE.

FINANCE (a) Accounts the Accounts Due for Payment for APRIL were passed for payment proposed by JLg seconded by JL. Also - Ashill Community Gardens – AK proposed that £20-00 being donated. Current account details had been confirmed at Annual Meeting.

Insurance Review –still awaiting quote.

Fencing for Former Surveyors Land – Much discussion over what type of posts should be purchased. Various quotes had been received and were discussed with RL taking chair.

It was generally felt that creosoted posts would be best , last longer (possibly 35 years) with spacing of 3metres – cost £3100-00. After debating all quotes, it was proposed by AH seconded by AB that PC should purchase these. Vote taken without AK was 7 for & 1 abstention.

OPEN TO PUBLIC – Concern over removal of goal posts.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

AK advised that Trustees have now received funding for new gate for Common. Reminder to all to vote on 7th May and that should ensure listed on Electoral Roll and carry ID.

NEXT MEETING IS TO BE HELD ON 26th MAY 2026 IN THE COMMUNITY CENTRE AT 7.00PM and is the AGM of Parish Council.

Meeting closed at 9.30pm

Jean Sangster

Clerk to Parish Council

Next Deadline for the Ashlink is 10th July
Send content to glen.ashlink@gmail.com

Ashill Community Centre Committee

Chair	Keith Collins	01760 441196
Vice Chair	Roger Bolton	07739358180
Treasurer	Cath Ready	075495 393619
Secretary	Megan Colley	07724 849225
Lettings Officer	Anne Beckett	07768 350968
Parish Representative	Andrea Binns	07597631821.
Pre Xmas Fair organiser	Dee Bolton	07926 917409

If you spot anything that needs updating in the Ashlink such as email addresses, phone numbers, times can you please email the editor with the necessary changes.

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FLAG ISSUE

The Ashill Welfare Charity Trust have decided to remove the current flagpole on Goose Green and replace it ASAP with a more substantial and robust one, securely anchored and added to our insurance. This will be owned and managed by the trustees. As We are charged with using our funds for the relief of the needy, we politely ask for donations to cover the cost of the pole and suggest they are sent to our clerk Mrs. R. Seager at 38 Acacia Avenue. Cheques made payable to the Ashill Welfare Charity Trust

The overwhelming feeling we got through various surveys supported the erection of a flag AFTER approaching the Trustees. If the person or persons responsible for erecting the flag pole had asked the Trustees for permission and told us why, it is probable that we would have embraced it. The fact it was put up in the dark, anonymously, gave us rise to suspicions about the motive of this flag.

We propose as a general rule the union flag should be flown, but at appropriate times of the year, if other organisations feel they would like to mark special occasions by raising their flag for a week or two, then the trustees will consider the merits of each request. We would ask these organisations to supply and store the flags used.

One Gentleman at the church cake stall volunteered to purchase flags, would he like to step up and contact us. We would also ask for a volunteer to come forward to be responsible for raising and lowering the flags at the appropriate times.
Ashill Welfare Charity Trust

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Stay calm, don't panic, and assist any casualties if you know what to do.
a. What is the nature of the incident? (e.g., fire, flood, gas leak, tree down on power lines, traffic incident)

2

Are there any immediate casualties?
a. If so, have the emergency services been called? **999**

3

Is anyone trapped – either physically (e.g., a tree on their car) or unable to leave their house (e.g., due to fire or floods)
a. If so, has the emergency services been called? **999**

4

Do people, pets, livestock need to be evacuated because of a threat to life and/or property? If so, do they know of any vulnerable people nearby who will need assistance?

5

Are any roads blocked? (This is important because it affects how and where people go to assist or to evacuate)
a. If so, have the Police been called? **999**

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Report EMERGENCIES ONLY to the Coordinators Alan Ketteringham 07733 420588 or Andy Thomas 07484 377553, or Jonathan Pearson 07811 974759 or Amy Crawley 07989 587397 ASAP

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These are the **MUSTER POINTS** in case of **EMERGENCY**, The Green, The Community Centre, The Call In, The White Hart Pub, The Fountain of Life Church, St. Nicholas Church, The Green at The Limes, The Common, The Ashill VC School Playground. You will be directed to the correct point by the Plan Co-ordinators.



Being asked to leave your home suddenly in an emergency may seem unlikely, but if it occurs, having a grab bag can help you.

TYPICAL EMERGENCY GRAB BAG. There are many variations on this, but It should fit into a small holdall. Families with children would need more, and so would older / disabled people. (it is different from an emergency bag if you are a person who regularly attends hospital for example) An emergency contacts list (personal) is also advised but most people now would have this on their phones, ditto a camera, a radio, a torch but these are only useful if you have a way to recharge the phone.

	Baby Stuff, Food, Nappies, Travel Cot / Seat, Clothes, Blanket
	Changes of clothes, including nightwear, underwear
	Clothing, suitable for weather conditions (incl. waterproofs)
	Copies of house and car insurance documents
	First Aid Kit & Whistle to signal for help
	Games, Books to keep children amused
	Hairbrush/Comb/Portable Hairdryer/Hair Bands/Ribbons
	Hat, Gloves, Scarf, Waterproofs (Rucksack or Carry Hold All)
	ID:- Driving Licence / Passport) Insurance Documents / NHS
	Items for pets, leads, collars, drinking / feeding bowls, medications, foods/ poo bags, pet carriers
	Laptop / Tablet & Charger inc. USB Cable, Back-Ups/USB Stick/Cloud Access
	List of important contacts, passwords and next of kin etc.
	Mobile Phone & Charger inc. USB Cable
	Notebook & Pen / Pencil (with key contacts, like Doctors, Dentist, School)
	Personal Sanitation Items, Wet Wipes, Nappy Bags, Bin Bags, Plastic Ties
	Prescription Medicines (Inhalers) & Toiletries
	Radio and Torch (Preferably Dynamo wind-up or with spare batteries)
	Snacks/emergency rations, e.g. energy bars, dried fruit, chocolate or Kendal Mint Cake
	Spare Glasses / Contact Lenses & Cleaner / Hearing Aids / Dentures
	Wash Kit, Tissues, toothbrush & toothpaste (travel size) and hand sanitiser
	Warm Drink in a Vacuum Flask, Clean Bottled Water, High Energy Snacks
	Wheelchair / Walking Frames/Walking Aids// Children's Buggies

Ashill Community Centre

Weekly Activities

Badminton Club	Every Monday 4.30 - 5.30pm
1st Ashill Brownies	Every Monday (term time only) 6.30 - 8.00pm
St. John Ambulance	St. John Ambulance Every Tuesday 5:30pm - 8:15pm
	Contact Pat Grout Group Lead 07899 942192
Badgers & Cadets	Jean Rockett-Woods Youth Leader 07749 870485
Ashill Fete Co-ordinator	Denise Eaves 01760 440186
Badminton Club	Every Tuesday 1.00 - 3.00pm
Ashill Parish Council	
Committee Meetings -	Every 4th Tuesday of the month
	contact Jean Sangster Parish Clerk 01760 440383 7.00 - 9.30pm
Zumba	Every Tuesday (contact Lou Dixon 07866
534087)	11.30 - 12.30pm
1st Ashill Beavers	Every Wednesday (term time only) contact Carol Butters
	01760 440995 or 07956 387308 5.00 - 6.00pm
1st Ashill Cubs	Every Wednesday (term time only) contact Carol Butters
	6.30 - 8.00pm
Golden Link Club	Thursdays, fortnightly Please contact Dee Bolton 01760
	441622 or Sue Cloud 01760 441110
Ashill Harmony	Every Thursday Contact Sue Cloud 07880 508930
Choir	Suecloud42@hotmail.com
Pilates Class	Every Thursday (contact Linda Mellor 07759 886777)
	10.30 - 11.30am
Pickleball.	Thursday Contact Elaine Pegley 07734 111370
	Sandra Voyse 07954 823486
Coffee Mornings	Second Friday every month ie. Dec' 13th , Jan
10th	10.00 - 12 noon
Mussel Bay	Every Friday Adults only 7.30 - 10.30pm
Racing	(contact Paul Edmunds 01485 540967
Slot Cars-	or James Cliff 07867 515063)

Village Services

Breckland Dog Training	07795 466007
Breckland Gundog training	07795 466007
Abbey Boilers	Chris Field 01760 440364, 07469 762435
Ashill food and Wine	Village store on Hale Road, open 7am to 8pm 01760 440932 ashillshop@gmail.com
White Hart	Excellent hostelry, https://ashillwhitehart.co.uk/ email whitehartashill@hotmail.com 01760 305922
Angela O Sullivan	Spruced up Stuff; Upcycling 07808 857763
Anna Yeomans	Beauty treatments 07824 882 049 www.treatmentsbyanna.co.uk
Ashill Fruit Farm	Fruit in season, apple juices, farm produce 01760 440 050 Open Tuesday to Friday 9am to 4pm Saturday 10am to 2pm Closed Sunday Monday
John Leggett	Garden Services 01760 440733
Norfolk Arborist	Tree Surgery 01760 724270, 07917 207781
J Dack Electrics	Electrician - 07739514060
Fitness Pilates	Thursday mornings 10:30 - 11:30am Ashill Community Centre Linda on - 07759 886777
Elizabeth Grace Jewellery.	Sterling silver jewellery . Online store www.elizabethgracejewellery.store www.facebook.com Elizabethgracejewellery
Leanne Holmes —	LH Equine Services 07920011628 Leanne@lheguineservices.co.uk
Infinite Aesthetics	non-surgical aesthetic procedures to make you the best version of you! 0774 1270359 infinitaesthetics@icloud.com
Peddars View Turkeys and Lamb.	Whole or halves supplied to order . Prepared ready for the freezer. Fresh from the farm in Ashill. A Ketteringham. Telephone 01953 885603. Mobile 0773 3420588
Farleigh Electrical Services.	Fully qualified electrician based in Ashill. Fully insured and NICEIC registered. Contact Brian Dorton on 07944 161725.
Tanks UK Limited	01953 889231 Supplier of water tanks , oil tanks, fuel tanks, bunded tanks. Water bowsers
HG Services Grounds Maintenance	0749 3716801 henry.hgservices@gmail.com
J.Walker Electrical Services	01760 441541 07928016562
First Steps Pre-School,	Ofsted Registered Early Years provider, 01760 447444, https://firststepsashill.co.uk/

ASHILL, HOLME HALE & DISTRICT ANNUAL FLOWER SHOW

With over 200 entries across 12 flower classes. Plus crafts, photography and home baking classes this is a show not to be missed! In addition to the floral entries there will be a quality plant sale and tombola prizes. Refreshments will be served, including delicious home made cakes. So come along and support your local garden club for a lovely afternoon enjoying floral beauty and good company.

All of this plus...

ENTRY is FREE!

SUNDAY JUNE 28th 2026

'Open to the Public from 2.00pm to 4.00pm'

**AT HOLME HALE PAVILION, SCHOOL ROAD
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